



**Environmental Quality Council**

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**Ground Water Assessment Program Funding**

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**Program Funding**

- \$300,000 RIT interest (MCA 15-38-202)
- \$366,000 RIGWAT proceeds (MCA 15-38-106)
- \$249,731 Natural Resources Operations (NRO) account

**\$915,731** Total FY16 Appropriation

**Recent Funding Trend**

- FY14 RIT interest shortfall was **\$60,500**
- FY15 RIT/NRO revenue shortfall was **\$22,343**
- FY16 *projected* shortfall (June 2015) was **\$147,845**
  - \$74,000 RIT interest
  - \$73,845 assumed addition funds for PLA would not be available
  - \$2,291 ORP
- FY16 adjusted shortfall (February 2016) was **\$220,888** (24%)
  - \$74,000 shortfall in RIT interest
  - \$146,888 shortfall in NRO
    - \$73,043 shortfall in revenue
    - \$73,845 present law adjustment
- FY16 actual shortfall in NRO (June 2016) was **\$69,000**
  - The projected short fall of \$74,000 in RIT interest was not realized
  - A budget based on the 220,888 shortfall resulted in a surplus of **\$151,000** at FY end
    - OCHE approved transfer to FY17 reserve account

### **Projected Funding FY17**

FY17 Funding sources include:

- \$300,000 RIT interest (MCA 15-38-202)
- \$366,000 RIGWAT proceeds (MCA 15-38-106)
- \$248,968 Natural Resources Operations (NRO) account
  - Includes \$73,845 present law adjustment
  - 1% ORP

**\$914,968** Total FY17 Appropriation

FY17 Revenue Estimates:

- \$250,000 RIT interest (\$50,000 shortfall)
- \$366,000 RIGWAT (no shortfall)
- \$102,842 Natural Resource Operations (\$146,126 shortfall)
  
- **\$718,842** Total estimated FY17 revenues

**\$196,126** shortfall projected for FY17

**\$151,000** carry over from FY16

**\$45,126** net shortfall projected for FY17